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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application

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Communications Systems (As Amended)

Inventors:

Febvre et al.

Our Ref:

1487.0150000

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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
- 2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1);
- 3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and in the Revised Format of the Pre-OG Notice Dated January 31, 2003;
- 4. Form PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$410.00 to cover a two (2) month extension of time fee; and
- 5. A return postcard.

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